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Appendices B, C, D, E, F and H (U)

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Attached are my comments on Appendices B, C, D, E, F and H
of the APEX Imagery Manual (AIM).

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to such information to only those persons certified by a Senior Intelligence Officer or Senior Administrative Official of the United States Government to have a need-to-know in order to perform officially assigned responsibilities. []

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The concepts of protection above standard levels of classification, the certification by an SIO and the need-to-know concept should be in the definition of COMPARTMENTATION which has a very special and unique meaning in the context of its use in the APEX Imagery Manual. []

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Decompartmentation - For imagery intelligence, the act of selectively removing imaging satellite reconnaissance material from the APEX Special Access Control System in accordance with the set of criteria specified in Part C, Section 3 of the APEX Imagery Manual. Continued protection of such decompartmented material is necessary at standard levels of classification under E.O. 12065. Since the act of decompartmentation nullifies the enhanced protection afforded the material based on sensitivity due to its source, method of collection or analytical procedures associated with its use, a generic source attribution is now permitted. []

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It is necessary to positively state the continued need for protection at standard levels of classification under E.O. 12065. []

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